

REMARKS

In the final Office Action dated May 12, 2008, the Examiner indicated that claims 1 through 3 are pending in the application. The Examiner rejected all claims.

Applicant would like to thank Examiner, Richard Chan, for the telephonic interview of August 19, 2008. As a result of the interview, the Examiner agreed to withdraw all of the rejections made in the Office Action of May 12, 2008, and remove the finality of the Office Action, pending the filing of this Response.

During the interview, Applicant discussed the Harvey reference, U.S. Patent No. 6,753,671, the Tanishita reference, U.S. Patent No. 6,221,526, and the fact that neither reference discloses a more than 2-state charging status indicator, i.e., indicating a "charging" or a "charging complete" state, whereas the present invention teaches a charging status indicator with more than 2 states. The Examiner agreed with the Applicant on this point, resulting in his withdrawing all pending rejections, and withdrawing the finality of this Office Action.

In view of the withdrawal of the rejections and the above remarks, this application is now believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration is, therefore, respectfully requested. However, the Examiner is requested to telephone the

undersigned if there are any remaining issues in this application to be resolved.

A petition for a one-month extension is being filed concurrently herewith. If there are any additional charges in connection with this response, the Commissioner is authorized hereby to charge the required fee to Deposit Account Number 19-5425.

Respectfully submitted

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